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SUBJ: SECOND COMMITTEE--WORLD FOOD CONFERENCE

1. USSR. DEL NOW IN RECEIPT INSTRUCTIONS RE: WFC.

GIST OF POSITION AS FOLLOWS:

1. VENUE--SOVIETS HAVE NO PARTICULAR PROBLEM WITH
ROME AS CONFERENCE SITE. THEY EXPRESSED HOPE THAT
CONFERENCE WOULD NOT BE HELD "AT SOME EXOTIC
SITE WHERE COMMUNICATIONS DIFFICULT AND
COSTS HIGH."

2. PREPCOMITE--SOVIET DEL EMPHASIZED THAT THEY
EXPECT FULL REPRESENTATION OF PREPCOMITE. THEREFORE,
STRONGLY URGE NONDISCRIMINATORY A MEMBERSHIP FORMULA
WHERE QUERIED ON POSSIBILITY OF OPEN-ENDED GROUP,
THEY REACTED FAVORABLY IN SO FAR AS FULL REPRESENTATIONS
EES THEREBY POSSIBLE.

3. AGENDA--THEY WOULD LIKE TO SEE CONSIDERABLE

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DISCUSSION ON AGRICULTURAL INSTITUTIONS WITH

PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON CO-OPS, COLLECTIVE CO-OPS, COMMUNES, ETC. SECONDLY, THEY WOULD LIKE A DISCUSSION OF "THOSE COUNTRIES WHO ARTIFICIALLY SURPRESS AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION." THIRDLY, THEY ARE INTERESTED IN "INPUTS." WHEN ASKED FOR CLARIFICATION THIS TERMINOLOGY THEY EXPRESSED INTEREST IN TRANSFER AGRICULTURAL TOOLS, SEEDS, FERTILIZERS, ETC. TO UNDER-PRODUCERS AS ESSENTIAL ELEMENT IN INCREASING OUT-PUT.

2. AT THIS STAGE, IT DOES NOT SEEM LIKELY THAT EES WILL BE ACTIVE IN NEGOTIATIONS LEADING TO ENABLING RES, APART FROM TWO ISSUES MENTIONED ABOVE. WE HAVE AGREED TO FURTHER DISCUSSIONS INDEPTH PUT PRECEIVE OF NO DIFFICULTY AT THIS STAGE.

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